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HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
PARK END STREET,
OXFORD.

To the Chairmen and Members of the Health Committee and Education Committee

MY LORDS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

The health of Oxfordshire as reflected in the vital statistics for births, deaths and infant mortality showed no significant variation on the rates for previous years.

Apart from high morbidity from influenza, there were no serious outbreaks of infectious diseases. One case of diphtheria was reported, after some years of complete freedom from the disease, and cases of poliomyelitis were on a level with those for previous years.

Among the more important matters considered by the Health Committee, during the year, were the proposals for the re-grouping of water supply undertakings; poliomyelitis vaccination; the introduction of triple vaccination against whooping cough, diphtheria and tetanus; and the Report of the Royal Commission on Mental Illness.

The Ministry of Health proposals for re-grouping of water undertakings are likely to result in the formation of Water Boards covering the whole of Oxfordshire. Although the necessity to provide adequate pure water supplies is no longer a matter of contention and is almost entirely a financial and administrative problem, the results of the proposed action should, in due course, improve the lot of the Oxfordshire population who do not, at present, enjoy piped water (25% of the population), bathing arrangements (52% of the population) or waterborne sanitary arrangements (35% of the population).

The poliomyelitis vaccination scheme was only in its initial stages in 1957, when vaccine was in short supply. By the end of the year, of 14,174 children registered, 4,181 had been vaccinated with two injections and 121 with one injection. The subsequent extension of the scheme and of the demand for vaccination has shown clearly the dread which parents rightly have of this disease, even when it is occurring only in sporadic cases. Vaccinated persons are five times less likely to develop paralytic poliomyelitis than those left unprotected.

Tetanus is as important in a rural area as diphtheria, now that the latter has been controlled by immunisation. The introduction of triple vaccine, including the immunising agents for diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus in one injection, makes protection against these diseases more likely to be accepted by parents for their children than the multiplicity of separate injections formerly necessary.

The Royal Commission on Mental Illness reported in 1957. Important changes in the legislation covering admission procedures are recommended, while local health authorities will be very much concerned with arrangements for the transfer of mentally retarded persons from hospital care to care in the community, as envisaged by the Royal Commission.

Continuing attention to the operation of the Ambulance Service brought the Hospital Car Service into close liaison with the Ambulance Service, insofar as, from January, 1957, all calls primarily go to the Ambulance Headquarters and Sub-Depots. This makes possible more economical use of ambulance vehicles.

In the School Health Service, perhaps the most important matters considered by the Special Services Board of the Education Committee were the implications of the Underwood Report on the Maladjusted Child, together with the reports of a Regional Hospital Board Working Party on the same subject. The immediate outcome was the decision considerably to strengthen the staff and organisation of the Child Guidance Service in the County. As it is most likely that any preventive mental health work will have to be based on the

Child Guidance Service, the building up of a more comprehensive Service, to work more closely with the associated Health Services, should prove most valuable.

The appointment of a second Speech Therapist in 1956 enabled a more comprehensive service to be set up for that type of handicap in 1957, while the accurate ascertainment of partial deafness will be made possible by the decision of the Committee to provide a pure-tone audiometer in the coming year.

The existence of carious teeth in over 90% of school entrants and the steady progress of dental caries through all age groups of school children is undoubtedly the most serious problem in the School Health Service. At the present rate of deterioration, the position will be reached in the foreseeable future where most school leavers have dentures. The provision of more dentists and better treatment facilities would not solve the problem, but a very great contribution could be made by the application of water fluoridation schemes, which it is hoped the Ministry will soon recommend. This type of protection would reduce dental caries by at least 60%. The results of Pilot Schemes in this country are still awaited, although American experience with fluoridation is quite conclusive. It is necessary for the greater success of such a measure that children, both antenatally and throughout their young lives, should have the appropriate intake: one part per million of fluoride in the drinking water is the most convenient method.

The provision of a new mobile dental clinic was a very welcome addition to the clinic facilities for dentistry available in the County. Further provision of such units may well be found desirable following experience with such modern equipment.

Statistical Tables, covering the activities of all parts of the Health and School Health Services are appended.

P.W. BOTHWELL
Acting County Medical Officer.

PART 1

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DEPUTY COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER (Acting C.M.O. from 1/7/57)

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49 GENERAL PRACTITIONERS

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SUPERINTENDENT OF HEALTH VISITORS
NON-MEDICAL SUPERVISOR OF MIDWIVES

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(ASSISTANT TO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT NURSING OFFICER)

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HEALTH VISITORS/SCHOOL NURSES

31

DISTRICT NURSE/MIDWIVES

58 (including 2 vacancies)

DULY AUTHORISED OFFICER AND MENTAL WELFARE OFFICER

MR. H.S. HEADY

MENTAL WELFARE OFFICER

MISS M.A. PUDNEY, D.P.A. (Oxon)

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CHIEF CLERK

MR. D.L. HOWELLS

PART II

VITAL STATISTICS

(a) GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (acres): 470,392.

Population (Estimated mid-1957). Total: 195,070

Rateable Value for whole County: £2,047,622 (1st April, 1958).

Estimated product of penny rate for whole County (1957-58): £7,725.

(b) EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR

BIRTHS Live Births	M.	F.	Total	Rate per 1,000 of the estimated population	
Legitimate ...	1,774	1,629	3,403		
Illegitimate .	89	88	177		
	1,863	1,717	3,580	Crude	18.35
				Corrected	19.45
Still Births					
Legitimate ...	33	24	57		
Illegitimate .	-	2	2		
	33	26	59		0.30

DEATHS					
	924	842	1,766	Crude	9.05
				Corrected	9.50

Maternal Mortality				Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births
Pregnancy, childbirth and abortion			NIL	NIL

Infant Mortality	M.	F.	Total	Rate per 1,000 live births
Legitimate ...	39	28	67	
Illegitimate .	5	3	8	
	44	31	75	20.9

Neo-natal Mortality	M.	F.	Total	Rate per 1,000 live births
Legitimate ...	29	19	48	
Illegitimate .	5	2	7	
	34	21	55	15.3

Birth Rate

The birth rate of 18.35 per 1,000 of the population is higher than last year's figure of 17.2. The national rate is 16.1

Death Rate

1,766 persons died in Oxfordshire in 1957, giving a corrected death rate of 9.50, comparing with a national death rate of 11.5.

There were 65 deaths from cancer of the lung, 54 of these being males and 11 females, giving a death rate from this disease of 0.332 per 1,000 of the population, which figure is slightly lower than the national cancer of the lung rate of 0.426.

11 persons died from tuberculosis, giving a T.B. death rate of 0.056, comparing with the national T.B. death rate of 0.107.

The greatest fractions of the total deaths (1,766) were accounted for by:

Heart disease	520
Cerebral Vascular Disease	288
Cancer	276
Infectious Diseases other than Tuberculosis ...	145
Other Circulatory Diseases	90
Motor Vehicle Accidents	28
All Other Accidents	44
Gastro-intestinal Diseases	24
Tuberculosis	11

Infant Mortality

Infant Mortality per 1,000 Births

Year	Oxfordshire	England and Wales
1957	20.9	23.0
1956	19.96	23.8
1955	22.6	24.9
1954	21.1	25.5
1953	23.6	26.8
1952	26.5	27.6
1951	17.7	29.6
1950	21.6	29.8

Total	Still Births Rate per 1,000 live and still births	National Rate
59	16.2	22.4

Neo-natal Mortality

Oxfordshire	National Rate
15.3	16.5

Table showing vital statistics for 1957 for each Rural District in the County

	POPULATION ESTIMATED TO MIDDLE OF 1957	Nett Births			Nett Deaths				
		NUMBER	RATES		UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE		AT ALL AGES		
					NUMBER	Rate per 1,000 nett Births	NUMBER	Rate per 1,000 of Population	
			Crude	Corrected*				Crude	Corrected*
Banbury ...	15,100	264	17.4	19.6	5	18.9	169	11.2	10.0
Bullingdon	39,820	749	18.8	18.6	10	13.3	331	8.3	8.9
Chipping Norton	16,210	249	15.3	16.2	6	24.0	146	9.0	8.5
Henley ...	20,810	383	18.4	18.6	10	26.0	207	9.9	9.8
Ploughley	28,630	557	19.5	23.8	17	30.5	156	5.4	7.8
Witney ...	24,800	494	19.9	22.6	9	18.0	203	8.1	9.5

* A corrected rate having been adjusted for age and sex distribution

Vital Statistics of whole County during 1957 and previous years

Year	Population estimated to middle of each year	BIRTHS		DEATHS				
		Number	Rate per 1,000 of population	Under 1 year of Age		At all Ages		
				Number	Rate per 1,000 Nett Births	Number	Rate per 1,000 of Population	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
							CRUDE	CORRECTED ∅
1945	146,590	2,768	18.8	104	37	1,684	11.4	
1946	146,390	3,060	20.9	85	27	1,753	11.9	
1947	149,010	3,268	21.9	72	22	1,709	11.4	
1948	160,250	3,029	18.9	66	21	1,632	10.2	
1949	* 163,500	3,021	18.4	76	25	1,781	10.9	
	≠ 173,780		16.7					
1950	172,060	2,914	16.93	63	21.6	1,889	10.8	10.04
1951	180,800	2,937	16.24	52	17.7	1,958	10.8	10.15
1952	185,200	3,049	16.46	81	26.5	1,773	9.6	9.46
1953	189,000	3,131	16.56	74	23.6	1,680	8.8	8.71
1954	189,600	3,217	16.96	68	21.1	1,773	9.3	9.16
1955	191,500	3,179	16.6	72	22.6	1,934	10.09	10.09
1956	194,800	3,356	17.2	67	19.9	1,873	9.61	10.09
1957	195,070	3,580	18.35	75	20.9	1,766	9.05	9.50

* Civilian Population ≠ Resident Population ∅ A corrected rate having been adjusted for age and sex distribution.

Table showing vital statistics for 1957 for each Urban District in the County

	POPULATION ESTIMATED TO MIDDLE OF 1957	Nett Births			Nett Deaths				
		NUMBER	RATES		UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE		AT ALL AGES		
					NUMBER	Rate per 1,000 nett Births	NUMBER	Rate per 1,000 of Population	
			CRUDE	CORRECTED *				CRUDE	CORRECTED *
Banbury ...	19,430	348	17.9	17.9	5	14.3	188	9.6	10.08
Bicester ...	5,480	127	23.1	20.5	2	15.7	43	7.8	9.6
Chipping Norton	3,870	54	13.9	14.0	2	37.0	39	10.0	8.0
Henley ...	8,000	127	17.1	18.8	4	31.0	122	15.2	12.0
Thame ...	3,720	53	14.2	14.48	-	-	36	9.67	8.99
Witney ...	7,390	150	20.0	19.6	4	26.0	67	9.0	10.2
Woodstock	1,810	25	13.8	14.5	1	40.0	59	32.6	12.7

* A corrected rate having been adjusted for age and sex distribution

TABLE OF CAUSES OF DEATH 1957

CAUSE OF DEATH	URBAN DISTRICTS																		RURAL DISTRICTS																		Grand Total
	Under 1		1 - 5		5 - 15		15 - 25		25-45		45-65		65-75		75+		Total		Under 1		1 - 5		5 - 15		15-25		25-45		45-65		65-75		75+		Total		
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M & F
Tuberculosis, respiratory	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	5	2	9
Tuberculosis, other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	2
Syphilitic disease ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	4
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping cough ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal infections	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Acute poliomyelitis ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Measles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other infective and parasitic diseases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	5	2	2	-	9	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	5	4	4	5	12	10	34
Malignant neoplasm, lung bronchus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	2	3	-	-	3	14	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	21	3	15	1	4	1	40	6	65
Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	6	-	1	-	2	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	11	-	5	-	6	-	24	34
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	3	-	1	-	10	11
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	9	8	7	5	3	21	19	-	-	-	1	1	-	3	-	4	3	21	12	14	3	14	16	57	35	132
Leukaemia, aleukaemia ...	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	2	-	2	2	6	10
Diabetes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	3	-	5	5
Vascular lesions of nervous system	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	5	10	11	22	45	40	61	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	10	10	21	33	47	62	81	106	288
Coronary disease, angina	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	9	14	16	13	14	46	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	26	6	37	24	34	38	98	68	251
Hypertension with heart disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	1	2	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	4	5	3	7	8	14	29
Other heart disease ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	2	15	9	11	45	30	56	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	5	7	12	19	41	65	62	92	240
Other circulatory disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	4	-	9	12	14	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	4	7	5	25	16	38	25	90
Influenza	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	2	1	-	4	2	-	-	2	-	-	1	1	1	3	-	1	1	3	3	1	3	11	9	26
Pneumonia	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	3	6	3	10	11	22	19	4	3	-	1	-	-	2	1	1	-	7	4	7	7	26	30	47	46	134
Bronchitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	7	-	2	2	4	4	14	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	1	13	3	14	5	38	9	67
Other diseases of respiratory system	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	2	-	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	4	2	4	3	9	7	22
Ulcer of stomach & duodenum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	3	1	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	1	2	-	6	1	15
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	1	1	3	4	9
Nephritis and Nephrosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	5	5	14
Hyperplasia of prostate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	4	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	13	-	16	-	22
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congenital malformations	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	6	9	18
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	7	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	4	1	6	8	8	21	24	20	14	-	-	1	1	4	-	3	3	9	4	5	7	9	17	51	46	142
Motor vehicle accidents	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	6	3	1	2	2	1	1	1	16	7	28
All other accidents ...	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	2	4	3	-	2	3	2	-	4	-	5	-	2	-	2	3	3	9	23	15	44
Suicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	4	-	3	1	9	1	14
Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
All causes	10	8	2	1	2	-	5	1	8	3	73	48	78	62	98	155	276	278	34	23	5	6	6	2	20	4	31	20	140	83	161	133	251	293	648	564	1,766

PART III

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Notifications of, and deaths from, infectious diseases for the past five years.

Notifications (N) and Deaths (D)

	1953		1954		1955		1956		1957	
	N	D	N	D	N	D	N	D	N	D
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	193	-	125	-	100	-	71	-	62	-
Whooping Cough	686	3	434	1	257	1	124	-	416	-
Diphtheria	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Erysipelas	14	-	16	-	14	-	10	-	12	-
Measles	3705	1	52	-	3058	1	1130	1	3010	-
Pneumonia	101	80	78	95	74	94	76	103	98	134
Puerperal Pyrexia	11	-	11	-	8	-	11	-	4	-
Dysentery	30	-	62	-	40	-	81	-	132	9
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis	17	5	6	1	22	-	14	1	12	1
Malaria	4	-	3	-	1	-	2	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	79	-	17	-	19	-	111	-	15	-
Meningococcal Infection	7	1	4	-	4	1	3	-	11	1
Encephalitis (post-infectious)	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	2	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis - Pulmonary	122	9	124	13	108	16	144	16	112	9
Non-Pulmonary	35	2	23	3	25	2	21	2	14	2

Poliomyelitis

CASES NOTIFIED DURING 1957

Age Group (Years)	Sex		Type of Case	
	Male	Female	Paralytic	Non-Paralytic
0 - 2	2	-	2	-
2 - 5	-	2	2	-
5 - 15	3	2	1	4
15 - 25	-	-	-	-
Over 25	-	3	3	-
Total	5	7	8	4

CASES AND DEATHS SINCE 1945

	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
CASES	5	2	31	6	23	22	12	13	17	6	22	14	12
DEATHS	0	1	6	1	0	0	1	0	5	1	0	1	1

Tuberculosis

NEW CASES (NOTIFICATIONS) 1957

	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F
Under 1	-	-	-	-
1 +	-	2	-	-
2 - 4	1	1	-	-
5 - 9	2	1	2	2
10 - 14	1	2	-	-
15 - 19	4	4	-	2
20 - 24	6	7	-	2
25 - 34	12	16	1	2
35 - 44	15	9	1	1
45 - 54	10	4	-	-
55 - 64	6	1	-	1
65 - 74	6	2	-	-
75 +	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	63	49	4	10

Venereal Diseases

Incidence of New Cases (County Patients) treated at the Special Treatment Centres at the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, and Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.

	1953			1954			1955			1956			1957		
	Radcliffe Infirmary	Royal Berks, Reading	Totals	Radcliffe Infirmary	Royal Berks, Reading	Totals	Radcliffe Infirmary	Royal Berks, Reading	Totals	Radcliffe Infirmary	Royal Berks, Reading	Totals	Radcliffe Infirmary	Royal Berks, Reading	Totals
Syphilis	3	1	4	11	1	12	11	-	11	8	-	8	6	-	6
Gonorrhoea	13	1	14	22	-	22	25	-	25	24	-	24	24	1	25
Other	74	7	81	49	6	55	59	6	65	70	4	74	54	9	63
Totals	90	9	99	82	7	89	95	6	101	102	4	106	84	10	94

Vaccination and Immunisation

Vaccination

No. of children under 1 year vaccinated - 1,753

Percentage under 1 year vaccinated in 1957 and previous years

1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
45.5%	40.4%	41.4%	42.8%	43.5%	46.4%	51.1%

Diphtheria Immunisation

No. of children inoculated in 1957

Year of Birth	Years of Age	Primary Immunisation	% of Population at Age Group	Booster Doses
1957	0 - 1	591	16.5	
1956	1 - 2	1,404	57.3	
1955	2 - 3	189	59.1	
1954	3 - 4	57	60.6	
1953	4 - 5	34	59.4	27
1948 - 1952	5 - 9	154		1,526
1944 - 1947	10 - 14	15		81

Whooping Cough Immunisation

No. of children immunised in 1957 and the three previous years

Year	Years of Age 0 - 1	% Population at that age	Years of Age 1 - 4	School Age
1954	1,491	47.7%	1,001	168
1955	1,533	48.6%	408	80
1956	1,625	50.0%	417	52
1957	1,740	50.8%	396	77

PART IV

MIDWIFERY, MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES

Births

Live Births	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	1,774	1,629	3,403
Illegitimate	89	88	177
Total	1,863	1,717	3,580

Domiciliary Midwifery

NEW CASES				Cases del. in institution attended on discharge and before 14th day	TOTAL VISITS AS		BREAST FEEDING	MEDICAL AID SUMMONED		ANTE-NATAL VISITS		POST-NATAL VISITS	
Dr. not booked		Dr. booked											
Dr. at del.	Dr. not at del.	Dr. at del.	Dr. not at del.		Mid-wife	Mat. Nurse	Cases wholly breast-fed 14th day	Dr. en-gaged	No Dr. en-gaged	Dr. not book ed	Dr. book-ed	Dr. not book ed	Dr. book-ed
27	531	63	300	292	18129	2932	782	112	98	10510	5025	360	365

Anaesthetics and Analgesia in Labour

	Where doctor was present at time of deli-very	Where doctor was not present	Total
No. of cases receiving gas and air	75	747	822
No. of cases receiving pethidine	37	296	333

Maternal Mortality - per 1,000 live and still births

YEAR	OXFORDSHIRE	ENGLAND AND WALES
1950	Nil	0.87
1951	Nil	0.82
1952	0.32	0.72
1953	0.31	0.75
1954	0.30	0.75
1955	0.614	0.64
1956	0.56	0.29
1957	Nil	0.47

Dental Care

No. of expectant mothers who received treatment in 1957 ... 14
No. of pre-school children attending clinics 151
No. of pre-school children needing and receiving treatment 106

Premature Births

Weight at Birth	Live Births						Still Births
	Born in Hospital			Born and nursed entirely at home			Born in Hospital
	Total	Died within 24 hrs of birth	Survived 28 days	Total	Died within 24 hrs of birth	Survived 28 days	
3 lb. 4 oz. or less	24	11	8	1	1	-	17
3 lb. 5 oz.- 4 lb. 6 oz.	40	2	35	2	1	1	6
4 lb. 7 oz.- 4 lb.15 oz.	44	-	41	4	-	4	3
5 lb. - 5 lb. 8 oz.	87	1	82	19	-	19	3
Totals	195	14	166	26	2	24	29

Illegitimate Births	1957	1956
No. of illegitimate babies born, Oxfordshire	177	171
" " legitimate " " "	3,403	3,185
Percentage of illegitimate to legitimate births	5.20%	5.34%

Health Visiting

Visits paid by Health Visitors

	1954	1955	1956	1957
Ante-natal	1,057	1,290	875	1,192
Under 1 year	27,241	28,218	22,460	22,839
1 - 2 years	13,452	12,602	11,580	10,764
2 - 5 years	19,080	17,802	16,798	15,808
Hospital After-Care ...	1,147	1,219	1,143	1,261
Infectious Diseases ...	439	476	254	238
Tuberculosis	3,861	3,257	3,268	3,075
Old Persons	6,529	6,980	6,684	7,052
Home Helps	6,538	7,660	7,603	9,139
Miscellaneous ...	9,854	10,114	9,365	11,595

Child Welfare Clinics

No. of Clinics held in County Council premises (Banbury, Bicester, Henley, Thame and Chipping Norton) 5

No. of Clinics held in suitable local premises (e.g. village halls, church halls), weekly or fortnightly 64

Clinics opened during the year ..... 1 (Great Tew)

Clinics closed during the year ..... 1 (Whitchurch)

List of Clinics

Adderbury	Charlbury	Fritwell	Kidlington
Bampton	Checkendon	Garsington	Kingham
Banbury	Checkendon Polish Camp	Goring	Kirtlington
Benson	Chinnor	Great Milton	Leafield
Benson R.A.F.	Chipping Norton	Great Tew	Littlemore
Bicester	Clifton Hampden	Handborough	Lower Heyford
Bloxham	Deddington	Henley-on-Thames	Mapledurham
Bunkers Hill	Dorchester (Field Farm)	Hethe	Middle Barton
Burford	Enstone	Hook Norton	Milton-under-Wychwood
Carterton	Eynsham	Horspath	Minster Lovell
Chadlington	Filkins	Islip	Nettlebed
Chalgrove	Finstock	Kelmscott	Northleigh

Peppard	Stadhampton	Tackley	Wheatley
Rose Hill	Standlake	Tetsworth	Witney
Sandhills	Stanton Harcourt	Thame	Woodcote
Shilton	Stonesfield	Warborough	Woodstock
Shutford	Swalcliffe	Watlington	Wroxton
	Yarnton		

Age in Years	Total Attendances 1957	First Attendances
0 - 1	32,490	2,495
1 - 2	11,460	
2 - 5	13,313	

Supplementary Foods

Dried milk, cereals and dried vegetables are available at Child Welfare Clinics, at special prices.

Distribution of National Dried Milk, Orange Juice, Cod Liver Oil and Vitamin Tablets:-

Centres in operation during 1957		No. where distribution (a) ceased	(b) started
Clinics	58	2	-
Shops	32	-	4
Private Houses	28	1	2
W.V.S.	4	-	-
Church Hall	1	-	-
Village Hall	1	-	1
British Red Cross	1	-	-
Paid Distributor (Banbury)	1	-	-

Sales

Dried Milk:	65,289 tins	Value £5,982. 12. 3½d.
	1,056 tins	Free
	275 tins	Unsubsidised, @ 4/- tin - £55

(Note: On the 6th April, 1957, the subsidy on dried milk was reduced which increased the price to the consumer from 10½d. to 2/4d per tin)

Cod Liver Oil:	16,588 bottles	Free
Vitamin Tablets:	7,502 packets	Free
Orange Juice:	127,381 bottles	Value £2,653. 15. 5d.
	769 bottles	Free

PART V

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE

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SECTION 1

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STAFF OF SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE, 1957

Principal School Medical Officer

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Deputy Principal School Medical Officer

P.W. BOTHWELL, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. (Acting P.S.M.O. from 1/7/57)

Assistant School Medical Officer (Handicapped Pupils)

I.M. MARSHALL, M.B., Ch.B.

General Practitioners who act as School Medical Officers

DR. D.C. HARRIS, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
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School Nurse/Health Visitors

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Educational Psychologist

MISS M. MARKHAM, B.A.

Speech Therapists

MISS M. PORTER, L.C.S.T.
MISS B.M. THOMPSON, L.C.S.T.

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MISS M.J. HALL, M.C.S.P.
MISS M. DUNFORD, M.C.S.P. (Part-time)
MISS M.J. BOUCH, M.C.S.P. (Part-time)

SECTION 2

STATISTICS

Return of Medical Examinations for the year ended 31st December, 1957
(including Banbury Borough)

ROUTINE MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

Number of Code Group Examinations	1956	1957
Entrants	3521	3594
Second Age Group	2349	2292
Third Age Group	1738	1789
Total	7608	7675
Number of other periodic Examinations	71	56
Grand Total	7679	7731

OTHER EXAMINATIONS

Number of Special Examinations	717	618
Number of Re-Examinations ...	1098	1295
Total	1815	1913

A - Return of Defects found by Medical Examination in the year ended 31st December, 1957

(1)	Periodic Examinations (2)	Periodic Examinations (3)	Special Examinations (4)	Special Examinations (5)
DEFECT OR DISEASE	Number requiring Treatment	Number requiring to be kept under observation but not requiring Treatment	Number requiring Treatment	Number requiring to be kept under observation but not requiring Treatment
Skin	47	39	28	4
Eyes -				
Vision	302	195	105	27
Squint	49	37	9	5
Other conditions	39	36	3	1
Ears -				
Defective Hearing	33	36	15	11
Otitis Media	13	18	2	5
Other ear diseases	36	37	13	7
Nose and Throat	181	202	39	24
Speech	119	69	22	7
Lymphatic Glands	9	14	2	2
Heart and Circulation	25	32	2	1
Lungs	33	45	17	5
Developmental -				
Hernia	7	14	-	2
Other	13	18	-	3
Orthopaedic -				
Posture	118	61	13	2
Flat Foot	139	65	25	3
Other	89	58	11	3
Nervous System -				
Epilepsy	1	10	1	1
Other	10	9	3	2

Psychological -				
Development	5	4	4	2
Stability	3	15	1	1
Abdomen	4	11	5	2
Other	124	119	29	35

B - Classification of the Nutrition of Children Examined during the Year in the Routine Age Groups

Age Groups	Number of Children Inspected	Satisfactory No.	Satisfactory %	Unsatisfactory No.	Unsatisfactory %
Entrants	3594	3496	97.3	98	2.7
Second Age group	2292	2244	97.91	48	2.08
Third Age group	1789	1737	97.1	52	2.9
Other Periodic Inspections	56	54	96.4	2	3.6
TOTAL	7731	7531	97.4	200	2.6

C - Number of Individual Children found at Routine Medical Examination to require Treatment

(excluding Uncleanliness and Dental Diseases)

(1) GROUP	(2) For defective vision (excluding squint)	(3) For all other conditions recorded in Table A	(4) TOTAL
Prescribed Groups -			
Entrants	107	486	552
Second Age group	90	231	311
Third Age group	94	189	259
Total (Prescribed Groups)	291	906	1122
Other Periodic Examinations	11	15	24
	302	921	1146

Return of Defects treated during the year ended 31st December, 1957

TREATMENT TABLE

I - MINOR AILMENTS (excluding Uncleanliness)

DISEASE OR DEFECT	NUMBER OF DEFECTS
SKIN	
Ringworm - Scalp	9
Ringworm - Body	11
Scabies	9
Impetigo	123
Other skin diseases	79
MINOR EYE DEFECTS (External and other)	237
MINOR EAR DEFECTS	48
MISCELLANEOUS	1582
Total	2098

II - DEFECTIVE VISION AND SQUINT (excluding Minor Eye Defects treated as Minor Ailments)

DEFECT OR DISEASE	NUMBER OF CASES TREATED By the Authority	Otherwise
Errors of Refraction (including squint)	-	908
Total number of children for whom spectacles were prescribed	-	755
Total number of children who obtained or received spectacles	-	731

TREATMENT OF DEFECTS OF EAR, NOSE AND THROAT

DEFECTS OR DISEASES	NUMBER OF CASES TREATED By the Authority	Otherwise
Received Operative Treatment -		
(a) For Diseases of the Ear	-	14
(b) For Adenoids and Chronic Tonsillitis	-	318
(c) For Other Nose and Throat Conditions	-	63
Received other Forms of Treatment	-	48
Total		443

UNCLEANLINESS AND VERMINOUS CONDITIONS

Average number of visits per School made during the year by School Nurses	8
Total number of examinations in the Schools by School Nurses	1276
Number of children found unclean	254

BANBURY BOROUGH SCHOOL MEDICAL INSPECTION

Dr. A.J. Campbell reports as follows:-

The following are the statistics for the Banbury Schools for 1957:-

School Medical Inspections

Entrants	406
Second Age group	389
Third Age group	268
Total	1063

Special Examinations

For Remedial Exercises	116
Others	224
Total	340

School Clinic

Minor Ailments:	
New cases	180
Total No. of Attendances	961

Eye Clinic

No. of new cases	106
Other Cases	197
Total No. of Attendances	387

Handicapped Pupils

Certified as Educationally Sub-normal	4
Reported to Mental Deficiency Authority	3

Immunisation

Diphtheria	
School Children	58
Reinforcement doses (Age 5)	36
Combined Diphtheria and Whooping Cough	51
Poliomyelitis	517

B.C.G. (Age 13 to 14)

No. in age group	435
consented to vaccination	83.6 per cent
positive to Heaf Test	14.2 " "
vaccinated	69.4 " "
converted after vaccination	92.1 " "

HANDICAPPED PUPILS IN SPECIAL SCHOOLS

Category	In special schools	Awaiting Vacancies	Home tuition and tuition in hospitals	In hospital schools	Total	Discharged	New Cases ascertained in 1957
a) Blind	6	1	1	–	8	1	
b) Partially sighted	5	2	1	–	8	2	
c) Deaf	8	-	-	–	8	2 4 left County	
d) Partially deaf	5 + 1 Day	2	-	–	8	2	
e) Educationally subnormal	Wood Eaton Manor 66 Out County 46 Day 11	4 - 1	-	-	123	-	
f) Epileptic	2	1	-	-	3	-	
g) Maladjusted	Hostel 9 Schools 8 Day 3	-	-	-	20	-	
h) Physically handicapped	2 + 2 Day	-	5	-	9	3 1 left County	
Cerebral Palsy	12	-	-	-	12	3	
i) Speech	-	-	1	-	1	-	
j) Delicate	3 Independent 1 Day 1	-	-	-	5	1 1 from Home teaching	

CAUSES OF BLINDNESS AND PARTIAL SIGHT

Age Groups	Congenital Glaucoma		Congenital Cataract		Congenital Nystagmus		Myopia		Optic Atrophy		Retinitis Pigmentosa		Retrolental Fibroplasia		Meningitis		Brain Tumour		Total	
	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G
2 - 5 years	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4
5 - 11 years	-	1	1	2	3	-	-	2	2	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	8	8
11 - 16 years	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	3	4
Total	-	1	1	5	4	2	-	2	4	3	1	-	1	1	1	1		1	12	16

CAUSES OF DEAFNESS

Age Groups	MENINGITIS		CONGENITAL		TOTAL	
	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.
2 - 5 years	-	-	1	1	1	1
5 - 11 years	1	1	1	1	2	2
11 - 16 years	-	-	4	2	4	2
Total	1	1	6	4	7	5

CAUSES OF PARTIAL DEAFNESS

Age Groups	MENINGITIS		CONGENITAL		MEASLES		OTITIS MEDIA		TOTAL	
	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.
2 - 5 years	-	-	1	2	-	1	1	-	2	3
5 - 11 years	-	1	5	4	-	-	-	-	5	5
11 - 16 years	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	2
Total	-	2	7	7	-	1	1	-	8	10

PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PUPILS

Age Groups	Arthritis of Hip		T.B. Spine		T.B. Knee		T.B. Ankle		Bilateral Talipes Congenital		Spina Bifida Congenital		Muscular Dystrophy		Paralysis following Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis		Congenital Heart Disease		Congenital Fragilitas Ossium		Total	
	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.
2 - 5 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	2
5 - 11 years	-	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	2	2	1	2	2	-	3	4	4	4	-	-	14	15
11 - 16 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	2	1	-	8	2	5	4	1	-	17	9
Total	-	2	1	1	1	-	1	1	3	3	1	4	3	-	11	7	10	8	1	-	32	26

TYPES OF CEREBRAL PALSY

Age Groups	DIPLEGIA		ATHETOID		HEMIPLEGIA		ATAXIA		PARAPLEGIA		TOTAL	
	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.
2 - 5 years	3	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	4	2
5 - 11 years	3	2	1	3	3	2	-	-	1	2	8	9
11 - 16 years	4	1	-	1	2	1	1	-	2	1	9	4
Total	10	4	2	4	5	4	1	-	3	3	21	15

DELICATE PUPILS

Age Groups	Pulmonary Tuberculosis		Tuberculous Glands		Pleurisy		Asthma		Asthma and Bronchitis		Sinusitis and Bronchitis		Bronchiectasis		Rheumatic Heart Disease		Rheumatoid Arthritis		Nervous Debility		Diabetes		Total	
	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.
2 - 5 years	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	4
5 - 11 years	8	8	2	2	1	1	3	2	5	3	1	1	3	1	1	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	26	20
11 - 16 years	2	3	-	-	-	-	7	1	-	2	-	-	2	3	2	2	-	-	2	-	-	1	15	14
Total	11	15	2	2	1	1	10	3	5	5	1	1	5	4	3	2	-	2	5	-	-	1	43	38

Section 57 - Education Act 1944.

The number of ineducable children notified and referred to the Mental Health Committee was as follows:-

	M.	F.
Under Section 57 (3)	7	4
Under Section 57 (5)	2	2
	9	6

Total 15

VISITS MADE IN CONNECTION WITH HANDICAPPED PUPILS

Handicapped pupils		
Home visits		574
Schools Visited		76
Total number of School Visits		151
Educationally Subnormal School Visits		25
Special Medical Reports and Certificates		43
Employment Certificates		91
Mental Defectives not yet notified but under supervision		9
Intelligence Tests		40
Children recommended for admission to Special Schools		
	Consent given	27
	Consent withheld	12

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS 1957

For this Authority		
Teachers	8	
College Entrants	49	
Clerks	12	
Housemothers	5	
Meals Organiser	1	
	75	
For other Authorities	5	
		Total 80

Defective Speech

Children treated in Clinics and Schools

(the large majority now being treated in schools, with the adjunct of home visiting and advice to parents)

Total treated regularly during year	Currently under regular treatment	Discharged	Discharged: speech normal	New Patients	Main Defects					Referred to Educational Psychologist for intelligence assessment	Waiting List
					Dyslalia	Stammer	Sigmatism	Dysarthria	Backward Speech		
303	161	142	111	176	196	40	31	9	12	13	14

Maladjusted Pupils

Child Guidance Service

Clinics:

Oxford	8 sessions monthly	Thame	1 session monthly
Banbury	4 sessions monthly	Bicester	1 session monthly
Henley	2 sessions monthly	Witney	1 session monthly

Bodicote Lawn Hostel 4 sessions monthly

	PSYCHIATRIST	PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER	EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST	PLAY THERAPIST	TOTAL
Diagnostic or Therapeutic Interviews	343	609	168 (including 85 Magistrates' cases)	95	1,215
	ACTIVE	WAITING LIST	NEW CASES REFERRED	BECAME ACTIVE	CASES CLOSED
Cases Total in year	92	35	122	83	108
1957 31st December	67	12			

83 New Cases

Age range	Boys	Girls	I.Q. Range	Mean Range
3 - 16	53	30	50 - 132	85 - 109

108 Closed Cases - Results

Improved	Transferred to Other Agencies	Diagnosis and Advice	Court	Left district	Unco-operative Parents	Unimproved
39	12	19	8	6	23	1

67 Cases under Active Management

Seen by Psychiatrist and Psychiatric Social Worker	Play Therapist	Placed in Bodicote Lawn Hostel	Educational Psychologist	Active Support to Parents by Psychiatric Social Worker
44	5	12	1	5

Cases opened during the Year

Origin		Source		Reason for Referral	
Oxford	46	Family doctor	15	Difficult behaviour at home	42
Banbury	13	Magistrates	8	Court referral	8
Bicester	7	Head Teacher	30	Difficult behaviour at school	16
Henley	6	School Medical Officer	14	Habit disorders such as Enuresis, soiling, insomnia	16
Thame	7	Children's Officer	18		
Witney	4	Probation Officer	3	Backwardness	10
		Medical Sources other than Family Doctor	6	School placement	5
				Speech difficulty	8
		Parents	19	Physical complaints	4
		Health Visitor	7	Refusal to attend school	13
		Speech Therapist	2		

Dr. R.G. McInnes has continued to supervise the Clinic, as Consultant Director of Child Psychiatric Services for the Oxford Area. Dr. J.W.R. Thompson, Medical Director of the Clinic, was absent, through illness, during the months of July and August. At the beginning of the year, Miss Markham, previously appointed on a half-time basis, became full-time Educational Psychologist by taking over the work formerly done by Mrs. Barnes, who retired. In the middle of September, Miss Harnett was appointed to one further 2½-hour session per week, for play therapy with suitable cases; this has been a great asset and it is possible that a further extension of play therapy facilities will be found desirable in the future. On the 7th May, an additional half-time secretary was appointed, owing to the ever-increasing amount of clerical work.

School Psychological Service

Referrals during the year

Source	General Backwardness	I.Q. Vocational Guidance, School Placement	Nervousness	Reading Difficulty	Speech Defect	Difficult Behaviour	Physically Handicapped	TOTALS
Head Teachers	56	48	2	13	-	12	8	139
Advisory and Remedial Teachers	-	6	1	-	-	-	-	7
S.M.O.: Health Visitors; Speech Therapists	5	26	-	-	3	1	2	37
Hospitals and Private Doctors	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Parents and Guardians	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other Agencies	-	1	1	1	-	3	-	6
Children's Officer	2	8	-	-	-	3	-	13
C.G.C. for Retest	-	17	-	-	-	-	-	17
TOTALS	63	109	4	14	3	19	10	222

Age Range - 3 years 1 month to 16 years 6 months.

I.Q. Range - 49 to 138.

Remedial Treatment

Defects treated during the year:-

Total No. treated	Posture	Feet and knees	Respiratory	Special difficulties
1,648	388	1,079	153	28

Parents who refused treatment	Children withdrawn before completion of treatment	Parents present at Clinics	Children discharged
5	3	579	611

SECTION 4

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Notifications of Infectious Diseases in Children

	Under 5 years	5 - 15 years	1957 Total	1956 Total
Scarlet Fever	14	46	60	70
Whooping Cough	182	229	411	122
Poliomyelitis				
Paralytic	4	1	5	4
Non-Paralytic	-	4	4	1
Diphtheria	-	1	1	-
Measles	1,190	1,770	2,960	1,229
Pneumonia	12	18	30	24
Meningococcal Infection	8	2	10	2
Acute Encephalitis (post-infectious)	1	-	1	-
Dysentery	28	73	101	57
Food Poisoning	4	3	7	106
Tuberculosis				
Pulmonary	3	6	9	13
Non-Pulmonary	-	2	2	1

B.C.G. Vaccination

Vaccination of School Children in their 14th year

No. of Schools in Scheme	No. of Children Tested	Tuberculin Positive	Tuberculin Negative	Number Vaccinated	No. of Positive Conversion Tests	Percentage of Parents agreeing to Vaccination
37	1,504	16%	83.6%	1,256 *	1,224	88%

NOTE: * I.e., all of those children who were available for vaccination.

SECTION 5

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

TABLE V

DENTAL INSPECTION AND TREATMENT CARRIED OUT BY THE AUTHORITY

1.	Number of pupils inspected by the Authority's Dental Officers:-	
	(a) At Periodic Inspections	19362
	(b) As Specials	448
	Total (1)	19810
2.	Number found to require treatment	13503
3.	Number offered treatment	10782
4.	Number actually treated	7090
5.	Number of attendances made by pupils for treatment, including those recorded at heading 11(h)	8272
6.	Half days devoted to: Periodic (School) Inspection	236
	Treatment	950
	Total (6)	1186
7.	Fillings: Permanent Teeth	6068
	Temporary Teeth	625
	Total (7)	6693
8.	Number of teeth filled: Permanent Teeth	5372
	Temporary Teeth	606
	Total (8)	5978
9.	Extractions: Permanent Teeth	809
	Temporary Teeth	2883
	Total (9)	3692
10.	Administration of general anaesthetics for extraction	393
11.	Orthodontics:	
	(a) Cases commenced during the year	12
	(b) Cases carried forward from previous year	2
	(c) Cases completed during the year	10
	(d) Cases discontinued during the year	-
	(e) Pupils treated with appliances	14
	(f) Removable appliances fitted	14
	(g) Fixed appliances fitted	-
	(h) Total attendances	112
12.	Number of pupils supplied with artificial dentures	16
13.	Other operations:	
	Permanent Teeth	882
	Temporary Teeth	5557
	Total (13)	6439

PART VI

CARE AND AFTER-CARE AND DOMESTIC HELP

Home Nursing

Establishment: 58 District Nurse/Midwives
No. employed at the end of 1957: 56

Work done by the Home Nurses in 1957

NO. OF NEW CASES ATTENDED							TOTAL NO. OF VISITS TO ALL CASES						
Medical	Surgical	Infectious Diseases	Tuberculosis	Maternal Complications	Others	Total	Medical	Surgical	Infectious Diseases	Tuberculosis	Maternal Complications	Others	Total
3,015	1,445	64	146	131	1,261	6,062	69,945	26,247	239	10,683	1,059	8,236	116,409

Domestic Help

Total number of Cases provided with home help in 1957

Maternity	Tuberculosis	Chronic Sick, Aged & Infirm	Others	Total	No. of cases receiving home help on 31st Dec., 1957
43	12	446	81	582	336

Occupational Therapy

Analysis of Patients treated during the year

Source of Referral	Treatment continuing from 1956	1957	Total
Chest Clinics	64	64	128
Welfare Department	35	7	42
Assistant School Medical Officer	9	2	11
Mental Health Officer	5	1	6
General Practitioners and Hospitals:		6	
Cowley Road		4	
Radcliffe Infirmary		4	
Eye Hospital		1	
Horton General	33	2 27	60
Nuffield Orthopaedic		2	
Warneford		1	
Churchill		1	
Littlemore		1	
Health Visitors		1	
Red Cross Society		4	
	146	101	247

Age Groups

Children	9
Young Adults	14
Old Persons	17

Main Illnesses and Disabilities

Tuberculosis	128
Heart and Chest Diseases	28
Rheumatoid Arthritis	11
Disseminated Sclerosis	14
Poliomyelitis, Paraplegias, etc.	14
Accidents and Injuries	12
Cerebral Palsies and Mental Defects	19
Psychological Conditions	6
Epilepsy	8
Miscellaneous Conditions	7
TOTAL	247
TOTAL NO. OF VISITS MADE	2,788

Supervision of Maternity and Nursing Homes

Homes Registered up to 1957 (under Public Health Act, 1936)

	No. of Homes	No. of Beds Provided		
		Maternity	Other	Total
Homes first registered during the year	1	-	3	3
Homes on the Register at the end of the year	6	2	53	55

Convalescence

Cases sent to Convalescent Homes on medical recommendation

Men	Women	Women accompanied by fit babies or children	Boys	Girls	Total	Total No. of Weeks involved (including accompanying children)
8	29	5	5	5	53	137

Medical Examinations

Examinations carried out by the Staff of the Health Department

	Number examined	Number X-rayed
1 Factory Acts ...	-	-
2 Superannuation ...	39	27
3 Ministry of Education prior to teaching (Form 28RQ) ...	18	17
4 Ministry of Education prior to entering Training College (Form 4RTC) ...	27	21
TOTALS	84	65

BLINDNESS

Mr. R.T. Barre, Chief Welfare Officer, has kindly contributed the following information:

During the year ended 31st December, 1957, 73 completed Forms B.D.8 were received, and 53 persons were admitted to the Blind Register and 20 to the Register of Partially Sighted Persons.

No cases of blindness due to Retrolental Fibroplasia were reported.

All except 9 persons recommended for treatment were dealt with during the year and received treatment as recommended.

A. Follow-up of Registered Blind and Partially Sighted Persons

(i) Number of cases registered during the year in respect of which Forms B.D.8 recommend:	Cause of Disability			
	Cataract	Glaucoma	Retrolental Fibroplasia	Others
(a) No treatment	6	3	-	32
(b) Treatment (medical, surgical or optical) ...	10	2	-	20
(ii) Number of cases at (i) (b) above which on follow-up action have received treatment	6	2	-	15

B. Ophthalmia neonatorum

(i) Total number of cases notified during the year	Nil
(ii) Number of cases in which: (a) Vision lost (b) Vision impaired (c) Treatment continuing at end of year	Nil

During the year ended 31st December, 1957, seven persons who were previously on the Partially Sighted Register were re-examined and placed on the Register of Blind Persons.

Cases certified blind and placed on the Register of Blind Persons for the County of Oxford during 1957

Cause of Blindness	Age Group	Males	Females	Total
Choroidal Detachment	31-39	1	-	1
	70 plus	1	-	1
Glaucoma	70 plus	3	1	4
Myopia	50-59	-	1	1
	60-64	-	1	1
	65-69	1	2	3
	70 plus	1	2	3
Cataract	16-20	-	1	1
	50-59	-	1	1
	65-69	-	2	2
	70 plus	3	3	6
Retinopathy	60-64	1	-	1
	70 plus	-	1	1
Optic Atrophy	3 years	-	1	1
	50-59	-	1	1
	70 plus	-	1	1
Thrombosis Central Retinal Vein	40-49	1	-	1
Retinal Haemorrhage	70 plus	-	1	1
Macula Degeneration	21-30	-	1	1
	65-69	1	1	2
	70 plus	2	5	7
Fuchs Corneal Dystrophy	70 plus	-	1	1
Keratitis	60-64	-	1	1
Senile Retinal Degeneration	70 plus	2	5	7
Lens Opacities	70 plus	-	1	1
Choroido Retinitis	70 plus	-	2	2
		17	36	53

The degenerative conditions associated with increasing age account for the greatest proportion of new cases registered as blind during 1957.

The total number of cases on the Blind Register for the County of Oxford at 31st December, 1957, were:

Male	Female	Total
173	224	397

Epilepsy

During 1957 there were 10 persons in the care of the Welfare Committee in Epileptic Colonies.

Handicapped Persons

The number of registered handicapped persons (deaf) was 70.

The number of registered handicapped persons (general classes) was 80.

	AMBULANCE SERVICE				HOSPITAL CAR SERVICE				HIRED CAR SERVICE			
Financial Year	Mileage	Patients carried	Miles per Patient	Total Cost	Mileage	Patients carried	Miles per Patient	Total Cost	Mileage	Patients carried	Miles per Patient	Total Cost
1955/56	184,775	11,991	15.4	£24,187	423,959	28,552	14.8	£13,543	33,134	1,922	17.2	£1,540
1956/57	200,102	15,389	13.0	£27,863	455,345	34,613	13.15	£14,729	23,082	1,381	16.7	£1,122
1957/58	259,208	24,210	10.7	£34,812	371,890	30,560	12.2	£12,006	37,055	3,534	10.5	£1,471

PART VIII

MENTAL HEALTH

LUNACY AND MENTAL TREATMENT ACTS

LUNACY

Patients admitted to mental hospitals by the following whole-time and part-time Duly Authorised Officers, Police and other counties:-

Mr. Heady	55
Mr. Charlett	16
Mr. Burrows	21
Mr. Spatcher	10
Mr. Powell	7
Police	1
Other Counties	38
	148

(a) Of this total, 7 males and 14 females were originally admitted as certified patients.

(b) 1 male and 5 females were certified subsequent to admission.

Miscellaneous Lunacy cases - visits by Mr. Heady. 58

Psychiatric After-care - visits by Mr. Heady. 5

MENTAL TREATMENT ACTS.

Voluntary Patients admitted -	Male	112
	Female	151
		263

Of these, 29 males and 56 females were originally admitted under the Lunacy Acts and subsequently dealt with as Voluntary Patients, and are included in the above voluntary patients.

Temporary patients - Male: 3. Female: 2.

MENTAL DEFICIENCY ACTS, 1913-1938

Incidence of Mental Deficiency in Oxfordshire

The total of known defectives at 31st December 1957 was 609 which gives a figure of 3.12 cases per thousand of the general population. This compares with the 1956 figure of 3.18 per thousand for England and Wales. The number of mental defectives in Oxfordshire subject to be dealt with on 31st December 1957 was 387 and this gives a rate of 1.98 per thousand for defectives "subject to be dealt with". This compares with the 1956 figure for England and Wales of 2.76 defectives per thousand "subject to be dealt with".

Ascertainment

46 new cases (23 male and 23 female) were ascertained during the year. The sources of these cases were as follows:-

Local Education Authority	15
Health Visitors	2
National Assistance Board	2
Other Local Health Authorities	8
Hospital	3
Doctors	1
Relatives	1
Institutions	6
Moral Welfare Workers	-
Children's Department	5
Ministry of Labour	-
Oxfordshire Regional Hospital Board	-
Police	2
Board of Control	-
Welfare Officer	1
	46

The cases were dealt with as follows:-

	Males	Females	Total
Admitted to Hospitals	5	2	7
Placed under Guardianship	-	1	1
Voluntary Supervision	8	16	24
Statutory Supervision	8	-	8
Action unnecessary	1	4	5
	22	23	45

Awaiting institutional treatment (of above) - 7

The relationship between those receiving community care and institutional care during the past eight years is shown as follows:-

	Total	In Institutions	In Community
1950	497	179	318
1951	492	185	307
1952	519	210	309
1953	533	216	317
1954	551	221	330
1955	598	268	330
1956	603	285	318
1957	609	283	326

The number of patients awaiting institutional accommodation in each of the last nine years is shown below:

Cases placed on the waiting list for Institutional Care * 'A'
and cases remaining on the waiting list * 'B'

AGE	1948		1949		1950		1951		1952		1953		1954		1955		1956		1957	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
Under 5 yrs.	4	-	6	-	10	-	4	-	3	-	2	-	2	2	2	1	1	-	3	3
5 - 15 yrs.	8	-	17	1	3	-	5	-	5	-	8	-	2	2	1	1	9	4	8	7
15+ yrs.	8	-	7	2	8	-	7	1	19	3	13	4	5	-	3	-	10	2	7	2

The total number of patients still on the waiting-list for Institutional care on 31st December 1957 was 35

Patients on licence from Institutions 31st December 1957.

	Male	Female
Borocourt	7	11
Pewsey	4	5
St. Francis School, Buntingford	1	-
St. Mary's, Alton	-	1
	12	17

Approved Homes

There were also 6 patients accommodated in Approved Homes:

	Male	Female	Total
Mount Table, Wingrave	-	1	1
Purley Park, Nr. Reading	1	-	1
St. Agnes Home, Caversham	4	-	4
	5	1	6

Under Circular 5/52 defectives may be given a temporary stay in hospital for a period of up to 8 weeks without certification.

Distribution of Short-term Care under Circular 5/52 in 1957:

Institutions	17
Approved Homes	-
Private Care	2

Orders made under the Mental Deficiency Acts.

Number of Orders made on Petition under the Mental Deficiency Acts	5
of whom (a) admitted to Institutions 3 male 2 female	5
(b) placed under guardianship	-
Cases admitted to Institutions by parents under Section 3	10
Number of Varying Orders	4
Number of Orders by the Secretary of State under Mental Deficiency Act, 1913, Section 9	-
Number of Orders under Section 8 (1.B.) of the Mental Deficiency Act 1913	1
Number of cases referred by the Courts including those under Section 8 (L.A.)	1
Number of urgent cases admitted temporarily to Place of Safety	-

Guardianship

No new cases were placed under Guardianship in 1957. 30 persons remained under Guardianship from previous years.

Guardians were as follows:

Relatives	13
Employers	6
Other persons	11

Statutory Supervision

Number of patients under Statutory Supervision	74

Voluntary Supervision

Number of patients under Voluntary Supervision	222

Visits paid by Mental Welfare Staff in 1957

		Male	Female
(1)	Visits in respect of mentally defective persons		
(a)	Visits leading up to certification, including removals to Institutions	31	73
(b)	Visits re Guardianship cases	60	50
(c)	Visits re Statutory Supervision cases	166	132
(d)	Visits re Voluntary Supervision cases	167	240
(e)	Visits re cases on licence	30	115
(f)	Visits re cases for re-certification	53	48
(2)	Other visits	88	73
		595	731

total: 1326

Medical Certificates by Health Department Staff

Medical certificates in respect of persons who were certified during the year given by medical staff of the Health Department:

Male 4 Female 2

Other medical certificates under the Mental Deficiency Acts given by medical staff of the Health Dept. in 1957:

Male 6 Female 4

Occupation Centres

The County Council maintains children at the following Occupation Centres in the numbers shown:

Oxford 8

Brighton 6

19 patients from Oxfordshire were attending daily at Borocourt, Smith Hospital and Cumnor Rise on the 31st December, 1957.

Home Teaching of Mentally Defective Children

The two Home Teachers gave regular instructions to approximately 52 mentally defective children in 1957 in the following categories:-

(a) at home individually 14

(b) at the Class in Banbury and Witney 38

The County is divided into two areas for this purpose.

PART IX

ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE

Visits made during 1957 by County Housing Officer

	No. of Visits
Consultations with District Councils' Officers and others	75
Attendance at Ministry of Housing & Local Government Inquiries	3
Visits:-	
(a) Schools and Children's Homes re water, sanitation, canteens, swimming baths, etc.	52
(b) " " " " " milk supplies	74
(c) Milk retailers re school milk supplies	6
(d) Farms, biological milk sampling, etc.	88
(e) Specified Areas, sale of designated milks	49
(f) Pasteurising Establishments	200
(g) Investigations into case of possible milk bovine infection	14
(h) Smallholdings, Nurses' and Police Houses, re water supplies and drainage	36
(i) Miscellaneous Visits	30
(j) Village Surveys, Water Schemes	1
" " Sewerage Schemes	5
TOTAL	633

Water Samples obtained for

(a) Full chemical analysis	7
(b) Fluoride content	6
(c) Bacteriological Examination (schools, dairies, police houses, smallholdings, etc.	106

MILK

Milk Production

Licensed Pasteurising Establishments		10
Pasteurising Plant installed - Holder Type		12
High Temperature Short Time		5
Approximate Quantity of Milk heat treated daily		19,000 gallons
No. of Samples obtained	1. Pasteurised Milk Supplies ...	364
	2. School Milk Supplies ...	57
	3. Biological Examination ...	249

Milk Sample Summary

	Submitted	Phosphatase Test ø		Methylene Blue Test *		
		Passed	Failed	Passed	Failed	Void
1. Pasteurised	197	194	3	125	-	72
Tuberculin Tested, pasteurised	167	163	4	102	-	65
TOTAL	364	357	7	227	-	137
2. Pasteurised	54	54	-	35	-	19
Tuberculin Tested, pasteurised	2	2	-	2	-	-
Tuberculin Tested	1	-	-	1	-	-
TOTAL	57	56	-	38	-	19

	Submitted	Bovine Tuberculosis		Brucella Abortus	
		Negative	Positive	Negative	Positive
3. Tuberculin Tested Herds	247	246	1 ж	239	8 ≠
Undesignated Herds	2	-	2	2	-
TOTAL	249	246	3	241	8

Notes:
- ø All failure occurred with holder type pasteurising plant.
- * Due to shade temperature exceeding 65 °F.
- ж From a retail sale of bottled Tuberculin Tested milk.
- ≠ 6 positives came from one herd and 2 from another.

Bacteriological Examination of Milk Bottles, Churns, etc.

	Bottles	%	Wax Cartons	%	Churns	%	Churn Lids	%
Satisfactory	102	65	6	100	18	43	14	47
Fairly satisfactory	17	11	-	-	7	17	7	23
Unsatisfactory	23	15	-	-	11	26	1	3
+ Void	14	9	-	-	6	14	8	27
TOTAL	156		6		42		30	

Notes: i. + Due to spreader organisms obliterating the plate count.

ii. Percentages are approximate.

iii. In addition, 3 samples of bottle washing machine detergent and 3 final rinse waters from such machines were submitted for examination.

RURAL HOUSING SURVEY - CLASSIFICATION OF HOUSES

Classification	BANBURY		BULLINGDON		CHIPPING NORTON		HENLEY		PLOUGHLEY		WITNEY		TOTALS	
	+ 1951	1957	+ 1953	1957	+ 1947	1957	+ 1950	1957	+ 1949	1957	+ 1953	1957	+	1957
Group 1 - Satisfactory in all respects	609	893	2702	2812	762	1097	1349	1597	886	2145	1210	1528	7518	10072
Group 2 - With minor defects	688	583	1729	2168	1467	1370	1223	941	1315	995	891	874	7313	6931
Group 3 - Requiring repair structural improvements or alteration	922	1005	1780	1437	1282	1201	855	851	1113	341	2263	1966	8215	6801
Group 4 - Unfit for habitation and beyond repair at reasonable cost	827	470	534	175	400	161	55	38	453	135	300	265	2569	1244
	3046	2951	6745	6592	3911	3829	3482	3427	3767	3616	4664	4633	25615	25048

Note + Year survey completed

GENERAL RURAL HOUSING DATA, 1957

	BANBURY	BULLINGDON	CHIPPING NORTON	HENLEY	PLOUGHLEY	WITNEY	TOTALS
Applicants for council houses	215	859	631	241	192	380	2518
Ex-Service hutments converted and in use as temporary housing	-	75	2	26	-	8	111
Ex-Service hutments not converted but inhabited	-	14	1	-	-	-	15
Cases of known overcrowding	-	9	3	4	-	1	17
Caravans used for housing							
(a) by Service personnel	-	-	-	-	13	274	287
(b) as permanent occupation	6	454	21	272	73	68	894
(c) for temporary occupation	4	14	1	-	16	11	46
Total	10	468	22	272	102	353	1227
Houses within survey reconditioned or improved - informal action by owners	75	80	82	70	94	49	450
Houses within survey demolished - informal action by owners	10	-	3	-	1	-	14
Net gain of houses	38	277	44	241	202	97	899
Financial assistance towards housing:-							
Dwellings towards which advances for purchase have been made:-							
(a) under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts	-	-	-	-	9	-	9
(b) Under Housing Act, 1949, Sec.4	15	22	4	51	35	75	202
Improvement Grants, Housing Act, 1949 - Applications approved	53	83	31	57	44	80	348

YEARLY SUMMARY

	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
Converted ex-military hutments		342	456	608	749	737	726	665	556	310	200	111
Unconverted ex-military hutments		181	192	196	155	121	81	90	28	21	15	15
Total		523	648	804	904	858	807	755	584	331	215	126
New Council houses	42	193	582	489	343	510	431	577	616	568	408	405
New private houses	89	111	109	108	82	68	112	356	505	507	485	554
Total	131	304	691	597	425	578	543	933	1,121	1,075	893	959
Applications for Council Houses					4,978	4,507	4,079	4,048	3,859	3,313	2,794	2,518
Caravans used for housing					-	-	-	1,201	1,283	1,336	1,415	1,227

PROVISION OF NEW HOUSING - RURAL AREAS

	BANBURY	BULLINGDON	CHIPPING NORTON	HENLEY	PLOUGHLEY	WITNEY	TOTAL
By Local Authorities							
New dwellings, tenders approved but not started	14	-	-	-	4	2	20
Under construction	40	105	6	32	-	20	203
Completed, 1.4.45-31.12.57	498	1,273	615	617	1,134	1,027	5,164
Completed 1957	24	133	37	125	22	64	405
By Private Enterprise							
Under construction	36	128	8	103	213	91	579
Completed, 1.4.45-31.12.57	196	749	207	678	997	259	3,086
Completed 1957	40	154	11	116	194	39	554

RURAL WATER SUPPLIES AND SEWERAGE ACTS, 1944-1955

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, SECTION 307

Two main drainage schemes, to the value of £74,000 were submitted for approval.

Since 1944, the County Council has considered 67 main water schemes and 65 sewerage and sewage disposal schemes, at an estimated cost of nearly £6,000,000.

A number of schemes have been completed or are in hand.

PART X

OTHER SERVICES

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Public Health (Condensed Milk) Regulations

Public Health (Preservatives etc. in Food) Regulations

Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941

(Extract from Report of Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures for the year ended the 31st March, 1958)

515 samples of various foodstuffs were procured, of which 485 were submitted to the Public Analyst under the above-mentioned Acts and Orders. 30 informal samples of milk and spirits were tested at this office.

Six samples of milk and six samples of other foodstuffs were reported by the Analyst to be unsatisfactory, as follows:-

Three Channel Island and one ordinary sample of milk were certified to be deficient in fat, and the deficiencies were traced to poor quality yields.

Two samples of milk were deficient in solids-not-fat, but the presence of added water was not confirmed.

Two complaints from purchasers of milk were investigated: in one case a quantity of cereal and, in the other, a quantity of broken glass was found in the bottled milk.

Two samples of whisky were found to be slightly below the declared proof strength. The Analyst certified that the deficiencies were possibly due to evaporation.

A sweet described as "Ball Gum" was falsely described, in that it had no chewing gum properties.

A sample of chocolate-flavoured milk made with skimmed milk was incorrectly described.

Milk (Special Designations) Regulations

Four minor infringements of the above-mentioned regulations were reported to the County Medical Officer.

PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT, 1933, Part II

300 retailers are now on the Council's list of sellers of Part II Poisons. 15 new applicants were "listed". 252 visits were made to premises of "listed" sellers, and no infringements of the Act were disclosed.

Enquiries were made at 333 "unlisted" premises to ascertain if poisons were sold. In 15 cases, poisons were found on the premises of traders, who have since become "listed" sellers or alternatively have withdrawn poisons from sale. One trader was officially cautioned for selling poisons from "unlisted" premises.

Three samples were submitted to the Analyst, who certified that the articles were non-poisonous within the meaning of the Act.

INFRINGEMENTS

Food and Drugs Acts and Orders

The following is a list of the reports made to the Clerk of the Council, showing the action taken in each case:-

1. Milk retailer	Glass in milk	Convicted Absolute discharge
2. Milk Bar Proprietor	Selling milk containing 2.80% of fat (deficiency of 6.6%)	Official caution
3. Milk Producer-retailer	Selling Channel Island Milk containing 3.27% fat (18.2%) deficiency)	Official caution
4. Do.	Do. containing 3.40% fat (deficiency 15%)	Retailer's supplier officially cautioned
5. Grocer	Selling a cordial with an incorrect description	No action
6. Patent food manufacturers	Incomplete advertisement	No action
7. Whisky bottler	Whisky slightly below declared strength	No action
8. Milk retailer	Foreign matter in milk (cereals)	Wholesaler officially cautioned
9. Automatic machine packer	Misdescription of a confection described as "Ball Gum"	Official caution
10. Milk retailer	Selling Channel Island Milk containing 3.8% fat (deficiency of 5%)	Retailer's supplier officially cautioned

Pharmacy and Poisons Act

11. Grocer	Selling a poison from unlicensed premises	Official caution